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1. Hukbalahap activity in the areas of Pangasinan and Nueva Ecija continues to be widespread. Direct killing as a part of raids is now accepted practice and kidnapping is common, particularly in Pangasinan. Huk activities in Nueva Ecija, where the Huks are over-running the whole area, are so violent as to make it entirely unsafe for Americans.
2. The leading Communist in northern Luzon is one Mirador (fnu). This man operates in eastern Pangasinan and western Nueva Ecija. He is a labor leader and has some connection, supposedly, with the government. He is connected directly with the Huks and operates with them. Huk groups, with one or two exceptions, are directly connected with Communist leaders and are apparently following Communist orders and instructions.
3. Many local police officials appear to have Huk connections and are dealing with such groups, both in order to preserve local peace and for personal reasons. For example, a lieutenant of the Dagupan, Pangasinan, police department was seen to meet and remain in friendly conversation with a full truck load of recognized Huks on the outskirts of that city. As a result, the truck did not enter Dagupan nor did any of its occupants.
4. One Huk leader who does not seem to be allied with Taruc and the Communists is Colonel Romulo* who operates in eastern Pangasinan. This man appears to restrict his activities to local affairs and problems.
5. The following pass, issued by Hukbalahap leaders in Pangasinan, was used successfully by an American traveling in that province:

"We the Huks who are members of the (PIEF)** have visited some of the barrios in the Municipalities of Umingan, San Quintin, and Santa Maria de la Pela, Province of Pangasinan, P.I., who came from Pampanga, Tarlac and Nueva Ecija, for the purpose of enhancing our mission for the sake of peasantry throughout the Philippines. According to our studies about the peasantry situation here, the partition of palay crop 70-30, which is approved by our government

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is not yet taking into effect. As such we hold mass meetings with the knowledge of the barrio lieutenants for the object of explaining to the barrio folks that they must urge the overseer of the Hacienda of Don Ricardo Gonzales, Don Pascual Ramos, the Municipal Councilor of San Quintin, Pangasinan to make partition crops 70-30 into effect in favor of the tenants. We added too that in asking for this partition they must *** use terror or violence so that the government will not say we are against the constitution of our Republic.

"We found that the demand of the peasants under Don Pascual Ramos who is the overseer of the hacienda of Don Ricardo Gonzales was fulfilled.

"The example shown by our comrade Don Pascual Ramos gave great enjoyment among the peasants. As such, we hope too that the other overseers of other hacienderos must follow the footsteps of Don Pascual Ramos, Municipal Councilor of San Quintin, Pangasinan, because this act will open the door of peace and order in this province.

"We then the Huks under the (PIEF) extend our humble thanks to Don Pascual Ramos and Don Ricardo Gonzales too for their good will for the troden masses.

By

Col. Ponce Romulo

PIEF Staff"

25X1A6a * ~~SECRET~~ Comment. Probably identical with Col. Ponce Romulo, signer of the Huk pass, end of paragraph number 5.

25X1A6a ** ~~SECRET~~ Comment. The meaning of PIEF cannot be determined.

25X1A6a *** ~~SECRET~~ Comment. Probably should read "must not use", the word not having been inadvertently omitted by source.

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